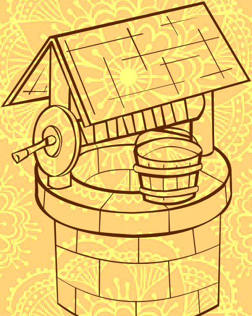
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TALES OF HUMOR



THE FARMER WHO BOUGHT A WELL



A POOR FARMER ONCE BOUGHT A WELL FROM A RICH MAN SO THAT HE COULD IRRIGATE HIS LAND USING THE WATER FROM THE WELL. THE FARMER PAID THE PRICE QUOTED BY THE RICH MAN. THE NEXT DAY, WHEN THE FARMER WHEN TO DRAW WATER FROM THE WELL, THE RICH MAN STOPPED HIM AND DISALLOWED HIM FROM DRAWING WATER. HE SAID THAT THE FARMER HAD BOUGHT ONLY THE WELL AND NOT THE WATER FROM HIM. SO, HE CANNOT DRAW ANY WATER FROM THE WELL.

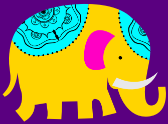
NOT KNOWING WHAT TO DO, THE FARMER WENT TO THE KING'S COURT AND TOLD AKBAR ABOUT HIS PREDISPOSITION. AKBAR HANDED OVER THE CASE TO BIRBAL.AKBAR ASKS BIRBAL TO HELP THE POOR FARMER SOLVE HIS PROBLEM.



BIRBAL VISITED THE RICH MAN WHO WAS CAUSING PROBLEMS TO THE FARMER. THE RICH MAN REITERATED WHAT HE TOLD THE FARMER, TO WHICH BIRBAL SAID, “SINCE YOU HAVE SOLD THE WELL AND NOT THE WATER TO THE FARMER, YOU WILL HAVE TO MOVE ALL THE WATER OR PAY RENT TO THE FARMER TO KEEP THE WATER IN THE WELL.”

THE RICH MAN REALISED HIS PLOY WAS NOT GOING TO WORK AND LET THE FARMER USE THE WELL FROM THE WATER.

MORAL: DO NOT TRY TO DECEIVE PEOPLE AS YOU WILL END UP PAYING THE PRICE.



THE THIEF WHO ROBBED THE MERCHANT



ONE DAY, A RICH MERCHANT WENT TO BIRBAL AND COMPLAINED TO HIM THAT HIS HOUSE WAS ROBBED. HE ALSO TOLD HIM THAT HE SUSPECTS ONE OF HIS SERVANTS TO HAVE ROBBED THE HOUSE. BIRBAL WENT TO THE MERCHANT'S HOUSE, ROUNDED UP ALL THE SERVANTS AND ASKED THEM WHO ROBBED THE HOUSE. AS EXPECTED, THE ROBBER DID NOT COME FORWARD TO CONFESS HIS CRIME.

BIRBAL HAD COME UP WITH A WAY TO FIND THE CULPRIT.
BIRBAL THEN HANDED A STICK TO EACH SERVANT AND TOLD THEM THAT THE ROBBER'S STICK WILL GROW 2 INCHES LONGER THE NEXT MORNING. THAT WAY, THEY WILL BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY WHO ROBBED THE MERCHANT. THE NEXT MORNING, BIRBAL ASKED THE SERVANTS FOR THE STICKS AND POINTED OUT THE CULPRIT TO THE MERCHANT. THE ROBBER HAD REDUCED THE LENGTH OF THE STICK BY 2 INCHES ANTICIPATING THE STICK TO GROW BY THE NEXT MORNING. THAT'S HOW BIRBAL FIGURED WHO THE ROBBER WAS.

MORAL: NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY, YOU CAN NEVER HIDE THE TRUTH FOR LONG.

THE NUMBER OF CROWS IN AKBAR'S KINGDOM





AKBAR AND BIRBAL WERE TAKING A STROLL IN THE KING'S GARDEN ONE PLEASANT MORNING. AKBAR SAW THE CROWS IN HIS GARDEN AND WONDERED HOW MANY CROWS THERE ARE IN HIS KINGDOM. HE POSED THE QUESTION TO BIRBAL.



HOW MANY CROWS CAN YOU FIND IN AKBAR'S KINGDOM? BIRBAL GAVE IT SOME THOUGHT AND SAID THAT THERE ARE NINETY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINE CROWS IN THE KINGDOM. AKBAR WAS AMAZED BY HIS QUICK RESPONSE AND ASKED HIM, "WHAT IF THERE IS A HIGHER NUMBER OF CROWS THAN THE NUMBER YOU JUST MENTIONED?".

BIRBAL REPLIED, "THEN, CROWS FROM THE NEIGHBOURING KINGDOMS MUST BE VISITING." THEN AKBAR ASKED, "WHAT IF THE NUMBER IS FEWER THAN WHAT YOU MENTIONED?". BIRBAL CALMLY REPLIED, "THEN, THE CROWS MUST HAVE GONE ON A VACATION TO THE NEIGHBOURING KINGDOM."

MORAL: YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND A WAY OUT IF YOU THINK AT EASE.

AKBAR'S STOLEN RING



AKBAR ONCE LOST A RING HIS FATHER HAD GIFTED TO HIM. HE IMMEDIATELY REACHED OUT TO BIRBAL AND ASKED FOR HIS HELP. BIRBAL SAID THAT HE WILL HELP HIM FIND HIS RING. HE THEN TOLD THE COURTIERS PRESENT THAT HE IS AWARE THAT ONE OF THEM STOLE THE RING. AKBAR ANGRILY ASKED WHICH ONE OF THEM STOLE HIS RING. BIRBAL REPLIED THAT THE COURTIER WITH THE STRAW IN HIS BEARD IS THE ONE WHO HAS THE KING'S RING.

AKBAR SEEKS HELP FROM BIRBAL TO FIND HIS STOLEN RING.
IMMEDIATELY, THE GUILTY COURTIER STROKED HIS BEARD TO CHECK FOR THE STRAW.
BIRBAL POINTED AT HIM AND TOLD AKBAR THAT HE IS THE CULPRIT.
MORAL: A GUILTY CONSCIENCE WILL ALWAYS GIVE IT AWAY.

THE POT FULL OF WIT



AKBAR WAS ONCE INFURIATED WITH BIRBAL AND BANISHED HIM FROM HIS KINGDOM. BIRBAL TRAVELLED TO A FARAWAY VILLAGE AND ASSUMED A NEW IDENTITY AND STARTED WORKING AS A FARMER. AFTER A COUPLE OF WEEKS, AKBAR STARTED TO MISS BIRBAL AND HENCE ASKED HIS SOLDIERS TO FIND WHERE HE IS AND BRING HIM BACK TO THE KINGDOM. THE SOLDIERS SEARCHED FROM ONE END OF THE KINGDOM TO ANOTHER BUT COULD NOT FIND BIRBAL.

AKBAR THEN CAME UP WITH AN IDEA TO FIND BIRBAL. HE SENT WORD ACROSS THE KINGDOM THAT THE HEAD OF EACH VILLAGE HAS TO SEND HIM A POT FULL OF WIT. ANYONE WHO CANNOT SEND THE POT FULL OF WIT CAN INSTEAD FILL UP THE POT WITH GOLD AND DIAMONDS AND SEND IT TO HIM.

AKBAR FELT THE ONLY WAY TO LURE BIRBAL BACK TO THE CITY IS TO SEND A CHALLENGE HIS WAY. THE PEOPLE IN BIRBAL'S VILLAGE FOUND THE ANNOUNCEMENT ABSURD AND WERE WONDERING HOW TO FILL THE POT WITH WIT. BIRBAL STEPPED IN TO HELP AND CAME UP WITH A WAY TO GIVE THE KING WHAT HE WANTED. HE PUT A SMALL WATERMELON INTO THE POT WITHOUT SEPARATING IT FROM ITS VINE. HE WATERED IT EVERY DAY AND GREW IT BIG ENOUGH SO THAT ALL THE SPACE IN THE POT WAS TAKEN UP.

BIRBAL THEN SEPARATED THE WATERMELON FROM THE VINE AND SENT THE POT TO THE KING. THE INSTRUCTION THAT WAS SENT WITH THE POT READ, "YOU CAN FIND THE WIT IN THE POT IF YOU CAREFULLY REMOVE THE WATERMELON WITHOUT CUTTING IT." AKBAR REALISED THAT ONLY BIRBAL COULD HAVE SENT THE POT. HE TRAVELLED TO THE VILLAGE HIMSELF AND BROUGHT BIRBAL BACK TO THE CAPITAL.

MORAL: EVEN THE TOUGHEST QUESTIONS CAN BE ANSWERED CLEVERLY IF YOU THINK HARD.

LORRY DRIVERS MADE TO HOP LIKE FROGS



WILL AND GUY HAVE LEARNED THAT LORRY DRIVERS WHO ARE CAUGHT SPEEDING IN AN INDIAN STATE ARE BEING PUNISHED BY BEING MADE TO HOP LIKE FROGS. THE POLICE, IN THE EASTERN INDIAN STATE OF *BIHAR, GIVE OUT A HUMILIATING PUNISHMENT INSTEAD OF TAKING THE SPEEDSTERS TO COURT.

THE MOST POPULAR PUNISHMENT, WE HAVE DISCOVERED, IS "LEAPFROG" WHERE SPEEDING TRUCK DRIVERS HAVE TO SIT ON THEIR HAUNCHES, HOLD THEIR EARS AND

HOP FOR ALMOST HALF A KILOMETRE. ALSO THE DRIVERS ARE MADE TO CHANT THE NAME

OF THE POLITICAL LEADER THEY LIKE MOST WHILE THEY ARE BEING PUNISHED.

ONE POLICEMAN INFORMED US THAT, 'IF THEY REMEMBER THEIR LEADER WHEN THEY ARE BEING PUNISHED, IT'S LIKE THEY ARE INSULTING THEM. IF THEY HAVE ANY SENSE, THEY WON'T COMMIT THE OFFENCE AGAIN.'

VERY AMUSING SAY WILL AND GUY. BIHAR LIES MID-WAY BETWEEN WEST BENGAL IN THE EAST AND UTTAR PRADESH IN
THE WEST. IT IS BOUNDED BY THE COUNTRY OF NEPAL TO THE NORTH AND BY
JHARKHAND TO THE SOUTH.

ADVICE FROM DELHI
A HERDER FEEDS A BUFFALO ITS OWN MILK BEFORE MILKING IT ON THE OUTSKIRTS
OF AMRITSAR, INDIA

SIT-UPS GIVEN AS A PUNISHMENT IN BALASORE, INDIA

INDIAN POLICE HAVE
APPARENTLY FORCED
AROUND 200 PEOPLE CAUGHT
WATCHING
PORNOGRAPHY TO DO SIT-
UPS IN PUBLIC TO SHAME
THEM AND KEEP THEM AWAY
FROM
THEATRES THAT ILLEGALLY
SCREEN SMUTTY MOVIES WILL
AND GUY HAVE LEARNED.
THE HINDUSTAN TIMES
REPORTED RECENTLY THAT
POLICE STOPPED THE
SCREENING

OF A PORNOGRAPHIC MOVIE AT A CINEMA IN BALASORE DISTRICT IN THE EASTERN STATE OF ORISSA AND MADE AUDIENCE MEMBERS; SOME AS YOUNG AS 17, TO DO 10 SIT-UPS EACH AT A PUBLIC SQUARE, WATCHED BY ONLOOKERS.

THE POLICE MADE THE ALL-MALE GROUP VOW NOT TO WATCH PORNOGRAPHY AGAIN. TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE FOR THE EMBARRASSED TEENAGERS WHO WERE CAUGHT,

POLICE CALLED THEIR PARENTS TO WATCH THEM DOING SIT-UPS.

AN AMAZING, WORRYING AND FASCINATING TRUE TALE FROM INDIA

A FIREMAN TOOK OVER GUIDING A PLANE INTO LANDING AFTER AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS FAILED TO TURN UP FOR WORK AT AN AIRPORT IN INDIA WILL AND GUY HAVE DISCOVERED. THE FANTASTIC FEAT CAME TO LIGHT EARLY IN 2012.

THE FIREMAN, NAMED AS A MR BASHA, HELPED THE JET AIRWAYS FLIGHT LAND AT

TIRUPATI IN ANDHRA PRADESH ON 9TH JANUARY 2012. THE PLANE WAS FLYING FROM HYDERABAD WITH 60 PASSENGERS ON BOARD. TIRUPATI HAS NO APPROACH RADAR AND PILOTS RELY ON AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS TO PROVIDE RUNWAY AND WEATHER

INFORMATION AND GIVE LANDING CLEARANCE. TIRUPATI AIRPORT HANDLES ONLY SEVEN FLIGHTS A DAY BUT IS THE LANDING POINT FOR VISITORS TO THE TIRUMALA TEMPLE, ONE OF HINDUISM'S HOLIEST SHRINES.

AFTER THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS FAILED TO SHOW UP FOR THEIR 07:00 START, AIRPORT DEPUTY MANAGER JANARTHANAN INSTRUCTED MR BASHA, WHOSE ENGLISH

WAS DESCRIBED AS BROKEN, TO OPERATE THE RADIO IN THE CONTROL TOWER.
PILOTS RELY MAINLY ON A VISUAL APPROACH TO LAND AT TIRUPATI AND MR BASHA WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SUPPLIED THE SUPPORT INFORMATION NEEDED FOR ABOUT 40
MINUTES BEFORE AN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER ARRIVED FOR WORK.
AIRPORT AUTHORITIES HAVE LAUNCHED AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE INCIDENT.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY OF INDIA REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR D DEVARAJ INFORMED US, "NO-ONE DOUBTS BASHA"S INTENTION TO HELP DURING A CRISIS. HE WANTED THE FLIGHT TO LAND SAFELY. BUT HE IS UNTRAINED AND MUST NOT ATTEMPT TO DO THE ATC"S JOB. MERE GOOD INTENTION IS NOT ENOUGH IN THIS CASE."

MR DEVARAJ TOLD THE PAPER THE CONTROLLER ON DUTY "SIMPLY FORGOT TO TURN UP."

THIS IS DEFINITELY A FEARFUL AND RATHER HORRIFYING STORY SAY WILL AND GUY.